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Consolidated Response to Executive Order: Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry into the United States Section 3(a) ("information needed from any country to adjudicate any visa, admission or other benefit under the INA (adjudications) in order to determine that the individual seeking the benefit is who the individual claims to be and is not a security or public-safety threat") (b)(7)(C)



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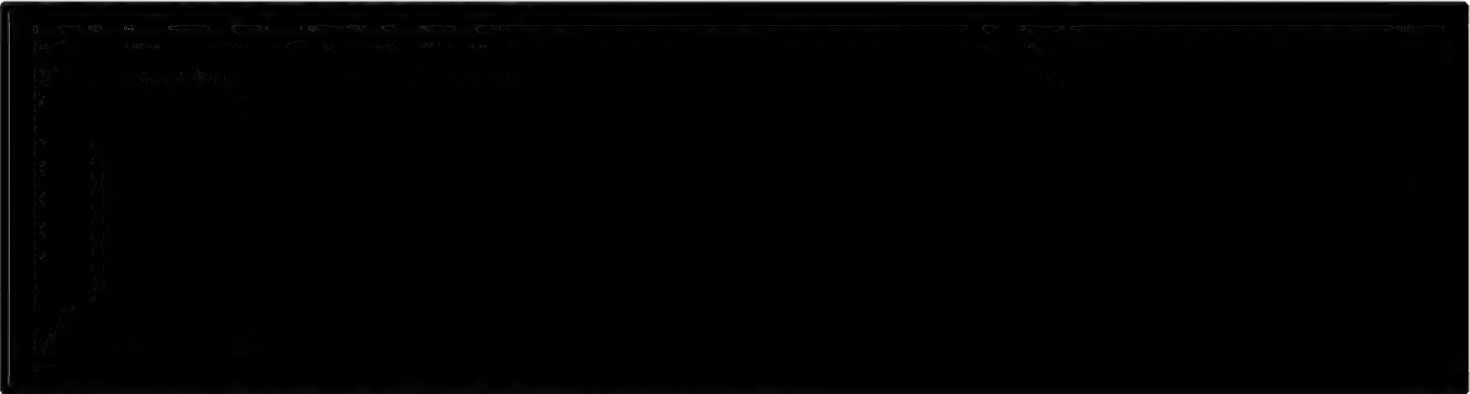
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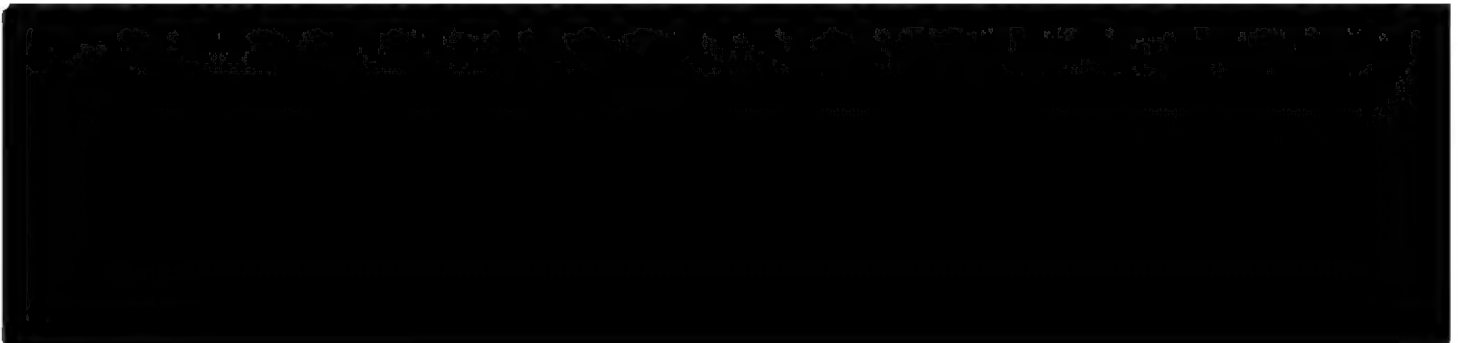
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Thanks for raising the issue. I'm curious to know what OGC thinks.

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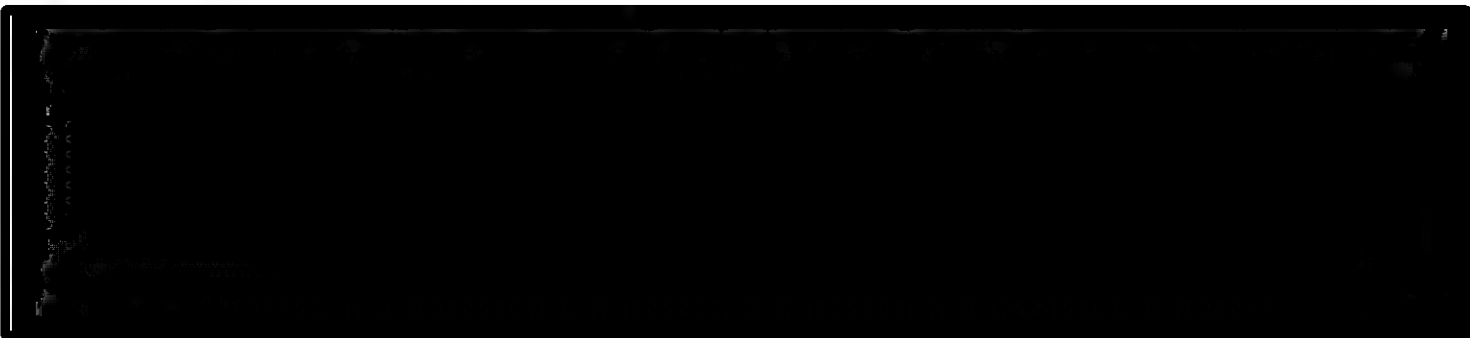


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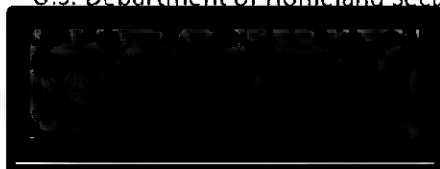
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From: Busch, Philip B
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We're saying we're adjudicating them as usual. But if they use them to leave, that would be a problem for them under the EO.

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We need to put that claim from Washington within the proper nonimmigrant, temporary visitor context.

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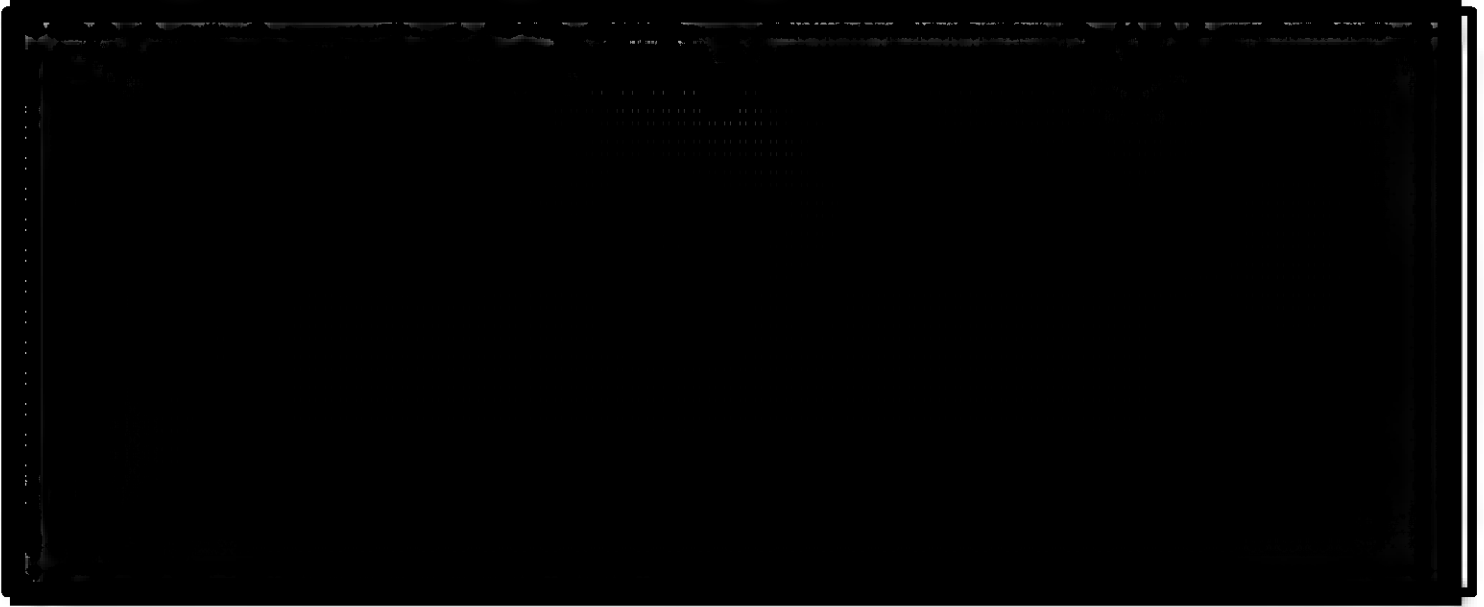
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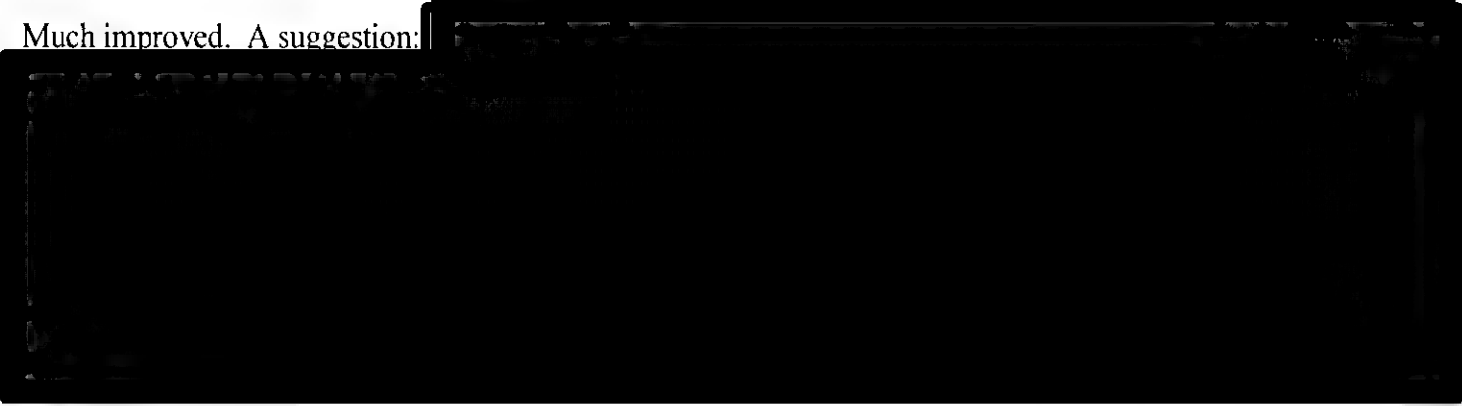
From: Groom, Molly M
Sent: Monday, February 06, 2017 8:40 AM
To: Symons, Craig M
Subject: RE: The 2 issues re individuals inside US

Yes, DOS would issue a new one. So I agree we need to DOS to speak to that piece. Waiver discussion continues. Will update you.

From: Symons, Craig M
Sent: Monday, February 06, 2017 8:48 AM
To: Groom, Molly M
Subject: RE: The 2 issues re individuals inside US

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Much improved. A suggestion:



From: Groom, Molly M
Sent: Monday, February 06, 2017 12:57:40 AM
To: Symons, Craig M
Subject: RE: The 2 issues re individuals inside US

And here are the edits we recommended.

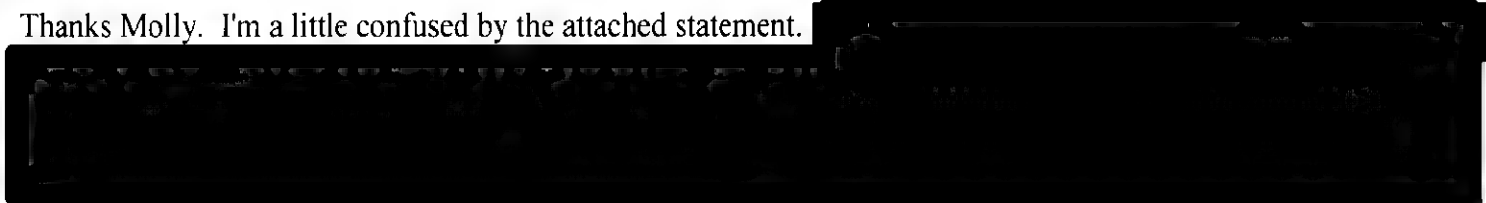
From: Groom, Molly M
Sent: Sunday, February 05, 2017 11:39 PM
To: Symons, Craig M
Subject: RE: The 2 issues re individuals inside US

Let's touch base tomorrow. That's probably best.

From: Symons, Craig M
Sent: Sunday, February 05, 2017 11:36 PM
To: Groom, Molly M
Subject: RE: The 2 issues re individuals inside US

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Thanks Molly. I'm a little confused by the attached statement.



Gillispie, Anna E

From: Symons, Craig M
Sent: Saturday, February 04, 2017 9:21 PM
To: Symons, Craig M
Subject: FW: ADDS/CMTS/EDITS BY 6:00 PM TODAY (SAT. 02/04) RE: DRAFT Declaration for State of Washington/EO Case

From: Symons, Craig M
Sent: Saturday, February 04, 2017 10:18:58 PM
To: Hamilton, Gene
Subject: RE: ADDS/CMTS/EDITS BY 6:00 PM TODAY (SAT. 02/04) RE: DRAFT Declaration for State of Washington/EO Case (b)(5)

One more thought - [REDACTED]

<http://travel.state.gov/content/visas/english/fees/presidential-proclamations.html>

Have a good evening,
Craig

From: Hamilton, Gene
Sent: Saturday, February 04, 2017 9:37:42 PM
To: Symons, Craig M
Subject: RE: ADDS/CMTS/EDITS BY 6:00 PM TODAY (SAT. 02/04) RE: DRAFT Declaration for State of Washington/EO Case

Thanks, Craig!

From: Symons, Craig M
Sent: Saturday, February 4, 2017 9:04 PM
To: Hamilton, Gene <(b) (6)>
Subject: FW: ADDS/CMTS/EDITS BY 6:00 PM TODAY (SAT. 02/04) RE: DRAFT Declaration for State of Washington/EO Case

Hi Gene,

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FYI... I heard DHS edits already went to DOJ and that we're already over our word limit. But I think the [REDACTED]

- Craig

From: Symons, Craig M
Sent: Saturday, February 04, 2017 8:32:26 PM
To: Groom, Molly M
Cc: Miller, Caitlin E; Busch, Philip B; Kelliher, Brian; Baroukh, Nader; Noferi, Mark; Levy, Jason
Subject: RE: ADDS/CMTS/EDITS BY 6:00 PM TODAY (SAT. 02/04) RE: DRAFT Declaration for State of Washington/EO Case

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Ok. Good. It just seemed to me that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Thanks again.

- Craig

From: Groom, Molly M
Sent: Saturday, February 04, 2017 8:26:43 PM
To: Symons, Craig M
Cc: Miller, Caitlin E; Busch, Philip B
Subject: RE: ADDS/CMTS/EDITS BY 6:00 PM TODAY (SAT. 02/04) RE: DRAFT Declaration for State of Washington/EO Case

We did talk about [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Thanks so much for raising it.

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Hi Molly,

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I couldn't see your comment boxes on this device. [REDACTED]

Thanks for all of your work on this.

Gillispie, Anna E

From: Groom, Molly M
Sent: Saturday, February 04, 2017 7:37 PM
To: Symons, Craig M; Cox, Reid
Cc: Miller, Caitlin E; Busch, Philip B; Kelliher, Brian; Baroukh, Nader; Noferi, Mark; Levy, Jason
Subject: RE: ADDS/CMTS/EDITS BY 6:00 PM TODAY (SAT. 02/04) RE: DRAFT Declaration for State of Washington/EO Case

Adding Reid at OGC who I believe is incorporating comments.

If it doesn't make it in tonight, I think it will be even more important when we get deeper into this issue.

From: Symons, Craig M
Sent: Saturday, February 04, 2017 8:25:40 PM
To: Groom, Molly M
Cc: Miller, Caitlin E; Busch, Philip B; Kelliher, Brian; Baroukh, Nader; Noferi, Mark; Levy, Jason
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Adding OGC...

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Cc: Miller, Caitlin E; Busch, Philip B
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Hi Molly,

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- Craig

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Sent: Saturday, February 04, 2017 7:08:16 PM
To: Symons, Craig M
Cc: Groom, Molly M
Subject: RE: ADDS/CMTS/EDITS BY 6:00 PM TODAY (SAT. 02/04) RE: DRAFT Declaration for State of Washington/EO Case

Hi Craig,

Attached are our comments on the stay brief.

Best,

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Hello Craig,

Molly asked that I include you in our emails providing comments on drafts of briefs/declarations for the Washington appeal. I inadvertently left you off of the email, but our comments on a declaration are attached. We are reviewing the stay brief now, with a 7pm deadline. I will include you on our response!

Best,

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From: Levy, Jason
Sent: Saturday, February 04, 2017 1:26 PM
To: Symons, Craig M
Cc: Baroukh, Nader; Kelliher, Brian; Noferi, Mark
Subject: RE: Washington District TRO

Hi Craig--

Sure thing. I'm adding Nader, Brian and Mark to be sure bases are covered.

Best regards,
Jason

From: Symons, Craig M
Sent: Saturday, February 04, 2017 2:10:31 PM
To: Levy, Jason
Subject: Washington District TRO

Hi Jason,

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I'm not sure who the OGC POC is for that case. Would it be Nader? Anyway, if you could, please find out and forward on this request to whoever that is.

Thanks,
Craig

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Craig

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Subject: RE: Deliverable Due 2/17--Sec. 4a EO: Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry into the United States

Now adding Lisette. Apologies for the double email.

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Everyone—

As Julie mentions below, FOD was designated to co-lead with FDNS the **interview portion** of Section 4 (a) Implementing Uniform Screening Standards for All Immigration Programs. The relevant interview portions of Section 4(a) are as follows:

1. The development of a uniform screening standard and procedure, such as in-person interviews;
2. A mechanism to ensure that the applicant is who the applicant claims to be;
3. A process to evaluate the applicant's likelihood of becoming a positively contributing member of society and the applicant's ability to make contributions to the national interest;
4. Amended application forms that include questions aimed at identifying fraudulent answers and malicious intent; and
5. A mechanism to assess whether or not the applicant has the intent to commit criminal or terrorist acts after entering the United States.

I know a lot of work has been done already in various manners that impacts this goal and can be utilized for this task. We would like to convene the process for articulating how the interview process has been and/or

can be enhanced (best practices, new policies, new tools/systems, resources, and/or additional questions) to ensure we are using our interviews in the best way to inform our eligibility, credibility and national security/public safety determinations.

Lisette Kvortek will serve as the FOD working group coordinator and will work with the FDNS POC to organize the work. I'd ask that folks self-identify as a responsible party and name a POC representing your office. Since work is due on the 17th, we'd like to get started asap.

Thank you.

From: Farnam, Julie E

Sent: Friday, February 03, 2017 11:20 AM

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Subject: Deliverable Due 2/17--Sec. 4a EO: Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry into the United States

Good morning,

Thank you for your work on the deliverables already completed. I appreciate everyone's timely responses.

The next big deliverable we have is in regards to Sec. 4a and 4b of the Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry EO. Proposals related to the items below are due to me by COB Friday, February 17, 2017. FDNS has the overall lead on this deliverable, but there will also be several working groups that may be co-coordinated by other directorates with FDNS. Here is the specific language from the EO:

"This program will include the development of a uniform screening standard and procedure, such as in-person interviews; a database of identity documents proffered by applicants to ensure that duplicate documents are not used by multiple applicants; amended application forms that include questions aimed at identifying fraudulent answers and malicious intent; a mechanism to ensure that the applicant is who the applicant claims to be; a process to evaluate the applicant's likelihood of becoming a positively contributing member of society and the applicant's ability to make contributions to the national interest; and a mechanism to assess whether or not the applicant has the intent to commit criminal or terrorist acts after entering the United States."

Because there are a lot of pieces to this section and because the pieces affect different directorates, we will likely need a few working groups to tackle this one. As discussed at the meeting yesterday, these are the proposed working groups:

- Interviews (FOD to co-lead)
- Identity Document Database
- Identity verification
- Form revisions (OP&S proposal attached)
- Immigrant integration (OoC to co-lead)

As of now DHS has not provided a template or format for the proposals (and I'm told one will not be coming this week). Should I receive a template, I will pass it along, but I think for now we can proceed with just writing up the proposal.

The deliverables tracker has been updated on the ECN and now includes all the items and target completion dates that were provided in the DHS Implementation Plan. To summarize some of the upcoming deliverables (Foreign Terrorist Entry EO deliverables should go to me. Steve Duggan is the POC on the Border Security and Enhancing Public Safety in the Interior EOs):

Report on implementing section 4a	Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry	4b	OCC	FDNS
Uniform screening standards	Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry	4a	FDNS	
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Subject: Updated QA for EO Guidance
Attachments: QA for EO on Protecting the Nation FINAL.docx

Updated Q&A document is attached, reflecting new language on the treatment of LPRs. This is an update from the document that was distributed yesterday evening. I will also post on the ECN in the morning.

Julie

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TO: All USCIS Employees

FROM: Lori L. Scialabba *Lori Scialabba*
Acting Director

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Attachments: EO 1-27 implementation guidance signed and dated.pdf

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Subject: EO Tasking on Information for Adjudications--Due COB 2/2
Attachments: Information from Foreign Governments.doc

Attached is the first cut of information we'd want from other countries to assist in our adjudications process based on the conversation we had this afternoon. For this tasking we just need a list that SCO can incorporate into the larger report they are drafting for this deliverable. Because the final report needs to be provided to the WH within 30 days, please provide any comments/edits/additions by COB tomorrow, February 2, 2017.

Thank you,
Julie Farnam
Senior Advisor
Field Operations Directorate
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Consolidated Response to Executive Order: Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry into the United States Section 3(a) ("information needed from any country to adjudicate any visa, admission or other benefit under the INA (adjudications) in order to determine that the individual seeking the benefit is who the individual claims to be and is not a security or public-safety threat")

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- Increased information on family tree or relative information



- Certifications of certain documents by foreign governments



Related, but not exclusive to information from foreign governments or other countries:

- A clearinghouse of official documents issued in the U.S. by local/state municipalities
- Better interoperability between DHS, DOS, and NTC systems
- More DHS resources outside the U.S. to complete overseas verification requests

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From: Krebs, Kristie L
Sent: Tuesday, January 31, 2017 2:06 PM
To: Risch, Carl C; Symons, Craig M; Nuebel Kovarik, Kathy
Subject: FW: AD1 Executive Congressonals on EO
Attachments: Sires Letter to DHS USCIS Acting Director on President Trump Executive O....pdf; 3864_001.pdf

FYI

From: Button, Maria G (Gemma)
Sent: Tuesday, January 31, 2017 2:51 PM
To: Krebs, Kristie L
Cc: Carter, Constance L
Subject: AD1 Executive Congressonals on EO

Hi Kristie,

Attached are 2 letters that we have received addressed to AD1 regarding the EO. The Department has received several letters addressed to S1 as well and they all have been assigned to OGC.
CBP has received similar letters.

We cannot respond to the letters addressed to AD1 until we receive language from the Department. DHS is preparing a template letter for these Congressional letters that once approved, we can use.

At this time we are "holding" for the language.

Gemma

Mar a Gemma Button
Chief
US Citizenship and Immigration Services
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January 30, 2017

Lori Scialabba
Acting Director
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U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
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Washington, D.C. 20529-2000

Dear Director Scialabba,

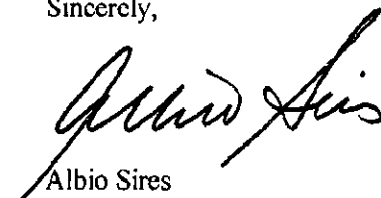
It has come to my attention that several individuals with visas and some with Lawful Permanent Resident (LPR) status have been detained at Newark Liberty International Airport and being denied entry into the United States as a result of the Executive Order issued by President Trump on January 27, 2016. In order to assist my constituents and better understand the implementation of this Executive Order and the scope of issues affecting my constituents, I would like to kindly request the following information from USCIS:

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Understanding the implementation of this Executive Order and the scope of the pressing issues affecting my constituents will help my office identify ways to assist them.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Albio Sires
Member of Congress

MIKE THOMPSON

5th DISTRICT, CALIFORNIA

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January 29, 2017

Lori Scialabba
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
Office of the Director
20 Massachusetts Avenue, 4th Floor
Washington, DC 20529

Dear Director Scialabba,

It has come to my attention that my constituent [REDACTED] may be denied entry to the U.S. at the airport in Nairobi, Kenya as a result of the Executive Order issued by President Trump on January 27, 2016. (b)(6)

[REDACTED]

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January 29, 2017
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If you have further questions or require additional evidence, please contact my staff, Rebecca
Hermosillo at [REDACTED] (b)(6)

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Mike Thompson

MIKE THOMPSON
Member of Congress

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Office of Congressman Mike Thompson

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Gillispie, Anna E

From: Risch, Carl C
Sent: Monday, January 30, 2017 12:59 PM
To: Symons, Craig M; Nuebel Kovarik, Kathy
Subject: FW: Information about the Executive Order of Friday
Attachments: QA for EO on Protecting the Nation FINAL.docx

From: Nicholson, Maura J
Sent: Monday, January 30, 2017 1:53 PM
To: RAIO - Oversea Managers
Subject: FW: Information about the Executive Order of Friday

International Managers,

In addition to the Q&A (**for use as talking points only, not to be distributed**) attached here, Secretary Kelly has issued 3 separate statements on the Executive Order signed this past Friday. I've included the links below for your reference. The statements are publicly available on the DHS.gov website, so please feel free to refer people to that information if they have questions about the EO.

[Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry to the United States \(Fact Sheet\)](#)
[Statement by Secretary John Kelly on the Entry of Lawful Permanent Residents into the United States](#)
[DHS Statement on Compliance with Court Orders and the President's Executive Order](#)

Handling of Inquiries from Foreign Governments

If you receive inquiries from foreign governments about any DHS equities related to the Executive Orders, Matt King, DHS Deputy Assistant Secretary, Policy, has asked that those inquiries be forwarded to him at

[REDACTED] please do not provide his contact information to parties external to USCIS.

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More information will be forthcoming as soon as it is available.

Thanks,

Maura

From: Ruppel, Joanna
Sent: Monday, January 30, 2017 6:31 AM
To: Baker, Katherine H; Dhabalia, Dimple D; Gill, Lori R; Gipson, Angela E; Kim, Ted H; Lafferty, John L; Nicholson, Maura J; Potts, LeRoy G; Ruppel, Joanna; Sohrakoff, Karen A; Stone, Mary M; Strack, Barbara L; RAIO - Oversea Managers; Aguilar, Kimberly M; Bardini, Emilia M; Boyle, Meghann W; Bundy, Kelsey D; Daum, Robert L; Donis, Antonio; Elliott, John J; Flanagan, Lisa M; Gadson, Irvin C; Heinrich, Lorie R; Ho, Cheri L; Hong, Marianne X; Hussey, Jedidah M; Madsen, Kenneth S; Menges, Patricia A; Mikesell, Hannah K; Papazian, Varsenik L; Pueschel, Tracy W; Radel, David M; Raufer, Susan; Rellis, Jennifer L; Valerin, Kathy D; Varghese, Mathew C; Varghese, Sunil R; RAIO - HQ Managers; Papas, Georgia; Fatica, Erin K; Johnson, Bobbie L; Langlois, Joseph E; Lassen, Brett H; Monica, Donald J; Spalter, Brian M
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From: Risch, Carl C
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To: Scialabba, Lori L; Renaud, Tracy L
Cc: Symons, Craig M; Nuebel Kovarik, Kathy
Subject: DOS Guidance Cable
Attachments: Cable 17-STATE-8708.pdf

Attached is State's guidance cable on implementing yesterday's Executive Order.